

Placer County Public Information Fact Sheet

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Proposed Home Depot Project

Date:	November 15, 2002
What's Proposed:	Home Depot, U.S.A. has filed an application with the County to build a 106,991 square foot home improvement retail center, a 24,304 sq. ft. outdoor garden center and 500 parking spaces at the County's DeWitt Center.
	Numerous private businesses currently lease buildings from the County at DeWitt Center. In January of 2001, the Board of Supervisors approved an Option to Ground Lease and a Ground Lease Agreement with Home Depot, U.S.A
	The Option gave the applicant time to review the site to determine whether the land was suitable for building a home and garden center and to apply for a Conditional Use permit, required by Placer County. A Ground Lease Agreement would take effect only if the County ultimately granted a Conditional Use permit, a decision which would be made after full environmental review. Under the Option to Ground Lease, the County is free to establish conditions of approval or deny completely a Home Depot application for a Conditional Use permit.
	If Home Depot is successful in obtaining a Conditional Use permit to build a store, it is expected the lease would be for 20 years with five five-year options to extend it. Home Depot would pay the County up to \$4.3 million over 20 years, or up to \$9.8 million over the total option period.
Proposed Location:	On ten acres of land at the eastern edge of the County's DeWitt Center, west of Hwy.49 and south of Bell Rd. in North Auburn.
Pending Action:	The County is seeking comments regarding the scope of the environmental impact report which must be written regarding this proposed project. The public and affected agencies are encouraged to offer input. Comments will be taken at the public meeting Nov. 19 or may be submitted in writing to the Planning Dept., attn: Lori Lawrence, by 5 p.m., 11/26/02.
County Contact for more information:	Placer County Planning Dept., 11476 "C" Ave., Auburn, CA 95603, 530-889-7470; Contact Susan Maggi Phillip Frantz, Department of Public Works, 530-889-7500
Project Contact for More information:	Project Applicant/Owner: Greenberg Farrow Architecture, 151010 Red Hill Ave., #200, Tustin, CA 92780 (714-259-0500)
Public Meetings:	A public scoping meeting to determine the elements to be considered in the project's Environmental Impact Report will be held Tuesday , November 19, 2002, 4 to 6 p.m. , Planning Commission Chambers , corner of C Avenue and Richardson Drive, DeWitt Center, Auburn.
	There will be additional opportunities to comment on the proposed project at future public meetings. Contact the Planning Department at 530-889-7470 to be notified as future meetings are scheduled, including meetings of the North Auburn Municipal Advisory Council.
	Information may also be posted on the County Web site, www.placer.ca.gov/planning.